# **Household Waste Disposal Guide**



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# Why Recycle?



We are currently wasting 34% of renewable resources by putting items in a wrong bin



Recycling minimizes making new materials that take longer processes



Recycling uses less energy than creating new materials



Recycling more materials will result in fewer landfill



Recycling reduces raw materials extracted from the environment.



Save Water

11000 mega-liters of water is the same as filling 4500 Olympic sized swimming pools



Reduce Green House Gas

Reducing 386,000 tonnes of green house gases is the same as taking more than 64000 cars off the road for a whole year

#### **Recycling Facts**

# Why Recycle?





Only 10 - 20% are recycled plastic, and 8 million tonnes of plastics go into the ocean

An estimated 1 million sea creatures are killed by marine waste every year



### **Recycling Facts**

#### eResources

Batteries: take them to your local drop-off locations Computers & TV: take them to your local drop-off locations Whitegoods: find your local collection service

#### Hazardous Waste

Light Bulbs: contact your local council Cooking OII: contact your local council for large volumes Motor Oil: contact your local council Chemicals, Paints: contact your local council

#### **Building Materials**

Take to your local tip or waste transfer facility

#### Others

Tyres: take to a tyre recycling facility Syringes & Sharps: contact your local pharmacy Xrays: drop-off to a Red Cross store or blood donor centre Mattresses: contact your local council

**Important Information** 

## **Food Scraps**

ALL food scraps can be placed in the green/organics bin for composting. This includes fruit and vegetables, meat, seafood (including bones and shells), dairy, processed/baked goods, condiments/sauces.

Only place items that can be composted in your organics bin. Place them in loose, wrapped in paper, or use compostable bags.



Using a compostable bag is a great way to keep your organic bin clean, reduce odors and pests. However, this depends on your local council.

When buying compostable bags, look for the certified compostable logo on the wrapping.



Do not use bags marked as degradable, biodegradable, oxo-degradable, or plant-based unless they are ALSO certified compostable.

## **Soft Plastics**

### Soft Plastics: bags, wraps, foams



food package: remove all food

tablet package: remove all tablets



plastic bags: Do not place recyclable items in a plastic bag to dispose of them in a yellow recycle bin.

Soft plastics are still recyclable. But, they can jam a machine in a facility because of the light weight.

Take them to Redcycle bin at the local supermarket. DO NOT place them in a yellow recycle bin.

### **Recyclable Items**

## **Hard Plastics & Glass**

### Hard Plastics: rigid or semi-rigid



Check if there's a recycling stamp on the item.

### Glass Bottles and Jars

empty the jar or bottle

10c refund at local bottle & can recyclers

**Recyclable Items** 

# Paper, Cardboard & Metal

### Paper & Cardboard



Flatten boxes before placing them in the recycle bin

### Metal

ball up aluminum foil to a large ball





10c refund at local bottle & can recyclers

empty the can and remove lids



#### **Recyclable Items**

# Green Organics Bin



Do not dispose of cooking oil in an organics bin

**Compostable Items** 

## **General Waste Bin**



Check if there's a recycling stamp on the item. This may depend on your local council.

Nappies





Tri-pack may or may not be recycled. Check with your local council.

Take soft plastics to Redcycle bin if you could





Broken glass and ceramics

Old clothing and shoes



### Go to landfills

# **Reduce Your Waste**



Rethink what you buy and what you throw away

Refuse single-use items

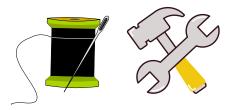




Compost kitchen waste at home

Reuse what you have





Repair or upcycle

**Recycle materials correctly** 

Tips



# A to Z List

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Aerosol cans		Key	
Aluminum can		General Red Bin	
Aluminum foil, tray		Recycle Bin	
Animal waste		Green Waste Bin	
Appliances		Booked Collection	
Asbestos		Redcycle Bin	
Batteries		Op Shop	
BQQs		Recovery Centre	
Bicycles			
Biodegradable cups		Ceramics	
Books		Chemical containers	
Bread tags		СІеаг wгар	
Bubble wrap		Clean fill	
Building materials		Clothes, shoes	
Car tyres		Computers	
Cardboard & paper		Cooking oil (small Qty)	
Cartridges		Corks	
CD, DVD		Cotton wool	

# A to Z List

Cream cannisters	
Cutlery (metal, plastic)	
Nappies	
Tetra Pak	
Electronics	
Envelopes	
Polystyrene trays	
Food waste	
Whitegoods	
Funiture	
Gas bottles	
Glass bottles, jars	
Glass (cups, pyrex)	
Glass (broken)	
Garden waste	
Newspaper	
Light globes	
Logs	



Mattresses	
Medicine	
Metal bottle caps	
Metal hangers	
Metal lids	
Milk bottles	
Motor oil	
Needles, syringes	
Netting bag (for fruits)	

# A to Z List

